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TO: Prospective ICAT Participants

RE: Grant Applications to the Innovative Clean Air Technologies Program in 2002

The California Air Resources Board (ARB) is inviting you to submit an application to our Innovative Clean Air Technologies (ICAT) grant program for 2002. ICAT co-funds demonstration projects for new technologies that can reduce air pollution in California and benefit the State's economy. Its purpose is to help move such technologies toward commercial use. Our web site at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/research/icat/icat.htm> provides information about the ICAT program, including the projects already funded.

As of August 13, the instructions for application can be downloaded from
<http://www.arb.ca.gov/research/icat/solicit.htm>

Please read and follow the instructions carefully. Note that much of the information is to be provided in a narrative format. We will evaluate only applications that respond substantially to the informational needs set forth in the instructions. Our decisions will be based solely on the information provided in the applications or sent in response to specific questions to individual applicants during the review period.

We must **receive** your application as 15 printed copies by 4:00 p.m. (PDT) on October 10, 2001, at this address:

ICAT Application for 2002
California Air Resources Board
Research Division, Suite 540
1001 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Projects related to ARB's program areas would be of particular interest. Current and upcoming program areas include:

- Particulate matter (PM10)
- Diesel particulate matter
- Indoor emissions

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- Clean distributed power generation
- Neighborhood and home air-monitoring technology
- Zero-emission vehicles
- Fuel cells and hydrogen (stationary or mobile)

You may also review www.arb.ca.gov/planning/caplan/cap.htm regarding ARB's upcoming Clean Air Plan for more information on topics of interest to ARB. However, *all* technologies that provide or promote the prevention or control of emissions of *any* air pollutants are eligible for ICAT funding.

The annual budget for all ICAT grants is about one million dollars (\$1,000,000). ARB can consider a project requesting up to that amount. However, since we want to fund as many good projects as possible, asking for a grant in an amount that approaches our total budget could put an application at a disadvantage in competing for grants.

We plan to inform successful applicants of conditional selection for funding within six months of the application deadline (eight months from today). To secure the staff's recommendations to our Board to grant funds, the selected applicants will then need to provide budget meeting criteria stated in the application materials.

If you have any questions regarding this solicitation, please call Richard Vincent, ICAT Manager for 2002, at (916) 323-5774 or e-mail them to icat@arb.ca.gov. I can be reached at (916) 323-4519 or bcroes@arb.ca.gov regarding the Research Division's programs in general.

Sincerely,

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cc: Richard Vincent, ICAT Manager
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